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### **NONGOVERNMENTAL ORGANIZATIONS IN OFFICIAL RELATIONS WITH PAHO**

#### ***REPORT OF THE STANDING COMMITTEE***

1. The Standing Committee on Nongovernmental Organizations (NGOs), composed of Barbados, Costa Rica, and Panama, met at 12:30 p.m., on 21 June 2006.

#### **Review of the NGOs in Official Relations with PAHO**

2. The Standing Committee considered the background paper prepared by the Secretariat, containing a profile of the NGO in official relations with PAHO, and a history of its collaborative activities with PAHO.

3. Paragraph 5 of the *Principles Governing Relations between the Pan American Health Organization and Nongovernmental Organizations* requires that "The Standing Committee will normally review collaboration with each NGO with which PAHO has official working relations every four years and, based on the results of the biennial work plans and activities undertaken during the period under review and on the proposed work plan for the next four-year period, shall make a recommendation to the Executive Committee on the desirability of maintaining these relations."

4. The Director submitted information to the Standing Committee on the following two inter-American nongovernmental organizations whose relations with PAHO were due for review: the Latin American Confederation of Clinical Biochemistry (COLABIOCLI), and the National Alliance for Hispanic Health.

5. After a brief presentation by the respective NGOs and comments from the PAHO Secretariat, and in light of the written information provided on collaborative activities between each of the following NGOs and PAHO, the Standing Committee recommends

to the Executive Committee that it authorizes continuation of official relations with the Latin American Confederation of Clinical Biochemistry (COLABIOCLI), and the National Alliance for Hispanic Health for a period of four years.

6. In light of the above, the Standing Committee proposes to the Executive Committee that it adopt the following resolution:

*Proposed Resolution*

*THE 138th SESSION OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE,*

Having studied the report of the Standing Committee on Nongovernmental Organizations (Document CE138/8, and Add. I); and

Mindful of the provisions contained in the document *Principles Governing Relations between the Pan American Health Organization and Nongovernmental Organizations* (1995, revised 2000),

*RESOLVES:*

1. To continue official relations between PAHO and the Latin American Confederation of Clinical Biochemistry (COLABIOCLI) and the National Alliance for Hispanic Health for a period of four years.
2. To request the Director to:
  - (a) inform the respective NGOs of the decisions taken by the Executive Committee;
  - (b) continue developing dynamic working relations with inter-American NGOs of interest to the Organization in areas which fall within the program priorities that the Governing Bodies have adopted for PAHO;
  - (c) continue fostering relationships between Member States and NGOs working in the field of health.

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